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In re Application of:	:	
GETTS, Robert, C., et al.	:	
U.S. Application No.: 10/554,374	:	DECISION ON PETITION TO
PCT No.: PCT/US2004/014325	:	CHANGE INVENTOR'S NAME
International Filing Date: 07 May 2004	:	(37 CFR 1.182)
Priority Date: 09 May 2003	:	
Attorney Docket No.: POLYPROBE 3.3-028	:	
For: METHODS FOR AMPLIFICATION	:	
OF NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES	:	
USING STAGGERED LIGATION	:	

This decision is issued in response to the "Petition For Change In Name Of Inventor" filed by applicants on 16 November 2006. Deposit Account No. 12-1095 will be charged the required \$400 petition fee.

BACKGROUND

On 07 May 2004, applicants filed international application PCT/US2004/014325. The application claimed a priority date of 09 May 2003, and it designated the United States. The deadline for submission of the basic national fee was thirty months from the priority date, i.e., 09 November 2005. The published international application identified the second inventor as Jaime SCHWALM.

On 25 October 2005, applicants filed a Transmittal Letter for entry into the national stage in the United States accompanied by, among other materials, payment of the basic national fee.

On 18 May 2005, the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed a "Notification Of Missing Requirements" (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) indicating that an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 and the surcharge for filing the oath or declaration later than thirty months after the priority date were required.

On 16 November 2006, applicants filed a response to the Notification Of Missing Requirements (with the authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 the required four-month extension fee). The response included an executed declaration, the petition considered herein, which seeks to change the name of record for the second inventor from Jaime SCHWALM to Jaime BOYLE, and a supplemental Application Data Sheet (ADS) incorporating the change in the inventor's name.

DISCUSSION

Applicants' 16 November 2006 submission included the authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 for the required petition fee and an "Affidavit In Support Of Petition For Change In Name Of Inventor" that is executed by the second inventor and confirms that this inventor's name was changed as a result of her marriage. These materials satisfy the requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to change this inventor's name.

CONCLUSION

Applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to change the name of record for inventor Jaime SCHWALM to Jaime BOYLE is **GRANTED**.

The declaration filed 16 November 2006 is acceptable in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497.

This application is being referred to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office Of PCT Operations for further processing in accordance with this decision. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 16 November 2006.



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